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# **King County Board for Developmental Disabilities** PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING

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> Day/Date: Wednesday, March 4, 2009

Time: 9:30 - 11:00 a.m.

Location: Region 4, Large Conference Room

> 1700 East Cherry Street Seattle, WA 98122

**Board Members Present:** Kevin Bernadt, Margaret Birdsey, Ted Daniels,

Kevin Henderson, Bret Stewart, Candice Styer,

**Kathy Trimbauch** 

**Board Members Absent: Alfred Lewis** 

**Board Members Excused:** John Nesbitt

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**Guest Present:** Joanne O'Neill, The Arc of King County, King

**County Parent Coalition** 

Aimee Nelson, Trillium

\*Listed above are individuals who signed the roster

**King County Staff Present:** Ray Jensen and Michaelle Monday

## INTRODUCTION

Kevin Henderson, Chair called the Planning Committee meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, March 3, 2008, at Region 4 in the Large Conference Room.

#### **CURRENT FUNDING DISTRIBUTION**

Ray Jensen presented the Board with two analysis reports outlining the cost per service unit, clients served, and total cost for King County Employment Providers to provide

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employment services. This information will be used to address an equitable distribution of funds concern.

### **BUDGET UPDATE**

Ray submitted a draft letter of appreciation to legislators for their continued support of individuals with DD for Board review. Community members were encouraged to contact their legislators in support of DD services. The letter was approved and the Board Liaison will prepare the letter for mailing.

### **BIRTH TO THREE WORK PLAN UPDATE**

Ray Jensen reported that the Early Intervention Managers are focusing on how to administer funds.

Ray expressed what an empowering message the Board would send to legislators if they attend an Advocacy Day collectively. Below are the remaining Advocacy Days:

March 11 March 18

Independent Living Day Ray Employment/Working Age Adult Policy

March 25 April 1

Housing/Endowment Trust Fund Birth to Three

April 8 April 15

Waivers/Medicaid Changes Session Wrap-up

If Board members are interested in attending Advocacy Day, please contact Margaret-Lee Thompson at 425-883-6721, Joanne O'Neill at 425-746-2178, Cathy Murahashi at 425-643-4048, or Betsy McAlister at 425-867-3810.

## **REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATION (RFQ) UPDATE**

Ray Jensen reported on the status of the RFQ designed for current employment vendors and new organizations to provide employment services for adults with developmental disabilities. The RFQ should be completed in the next few weeks and will be posted on the King County website, advertised in the newspaper, and mailed to providers.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

Joanne O'Neill presented a document created by The Arc of Washington State on February 16, 2009, entitled, "DDD Efficiency/Federal Funds Match Proposals presented to legislators to help alleviate the budget deficit.

#### **BOARD RECRUITMENT**

The Board for Developmental Disabilities is seeking residents of King County interested in serving on the Board. The primary criteria for membership is an interest in assisting individuals with developmental disabilities to access available services and integrate





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into and become full participants in their communities. The County is interested in a balanced representation on the Board, in terms of ethnicity, occupation, geographic location, and experience with developmental disability issues. Currently, the Board is seeking to increase cultural diversity and to achieve geographic representation.

### **NEXT MEETING**

The next Board meeting is scheduled April 1, 2009, from 9:30-11:30 a.m. at Region 4, located at 1700 E. Cherry Street,  $2^{nd}$  Floor Conference Room.

The next Planning Committee meeting is scheduled May 6, 2009, from 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. at Region 4, located at 1700 E. Cherry Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room.

**ADJOURNED:** The Planning Committee Meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.



